

REMARKS

Favorable consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

In the present Official Action, Claims 1-20, which are present in the above-captioned application have been subjected to a restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 as follows:

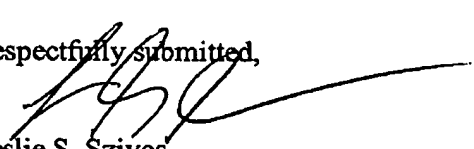
- I. Claims 1-16, drawn to a method of fabricating a microstructure, classified in Class 438, subclass 737; and
- II. Claims 17-20, drawn to a microstructure, classified in Class 257, subclass 369.

As indicated, and in order to be fully responsive to the restriction requirement imposed in the present Official Action, applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, to prosecute the subject matter of Group I, i.e., Claims 1-16, and reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter in this application, i.e., Claims 17-20.

Applicants further elect the species shown in Fig. 3D for continued prosecution. Applicants observe that Claims 1-8 and 10-16 read upon the elected species shown in Fig. 3D. Applicants reserve their right to have Claim 9 rejoined upon allowance of generic Claim 1.

Wherefore, consideration and allowance of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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